

Session 2.3: Group discussion of UN NQAF (incl. group presentations)

Organization

- Three groups as follows:

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
Albania	Armenia	Azerbaijan
Belarus	Bosnia-Herzegovina	Georgia
Kazakhstan	Kyrgyzstan	Montenegro
North Macedonia	Russian Federation	Turkey
Ukraine	Uzbekistan	Serbia
Norway		

- Each group needs to determine
 - 1 note taker/facilitator/“judge” of “evidence”
 - 1 presenter
- Time
 - 45 minutes for discussion and preparation
 - 15 minutes for presentation

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Assignments – split-up of work

UN NQAF consists of 19 principles and 87 underlying requirements.

Assignment:

- **Group 1**: Level A: Managing the statistical system
- **Group 2**: Level B: Managing the institutional environment
- **Group 3**: Level C: Managing statistical processes
- **Who's finished**: Level D: Managing statistical outputs

Task / Contents of presentation

- 1. Select several principles (as many as time allows) – you may choose the most challenging ones first, or go by the order**
- 2. Use the self-assessment checklist (or the Annex) and assess whether countries in your group “fully”, “partially” or “do not comply” with the requirements based on a detailed analysis of the compliance with the elements to be assured**
- 3. Identify major areas in need of improvement**

In your oral presentation of 5-10 minutes please inform about the results, requirement by requirement, highlighting difficult areas.

Methodology

- The checklist is primarily meant to be used for an assessment of the NSS from the point of view of the coordinating body (typically the national statistical office) – aim is to identify strengths/ weaknesses and improvement actions.
- In general, compliance with a requirement depends on the compliance with the elements under this requirement:
 - **“Full compliance” with a requirement = there is only little room for improvement** (most applicable elements and all major applicable elements are fully (or in some cases partially) met);
 - **“Partial compliance” with a requirement = some major improvements are needed** (some but not all major applicable elements are fully or partially met);
 - **“No compliance” with a requirement = urgent action is necessary** (no major applicable elements are met).

